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MEETING Foggy Bottom Association Monday, May 24

St. Paul's Parish House
2430 K Street, N.W.

Mayoral Candidates

Betty Ann Kane

Patricia Harris

Guest Speakers

7:30 p.m.

All are welcome

Candidates Kane and Harris to Address Foggy Bottom Association



Mayoral Candidates Betty Ann Kane (L) and Patricia Roberts Harris (R) will address the next meeting of the Foggy Bottom Association, on Monday, May 24. Kane is an at-large member of the District Council who previously was a member of the D.C. School Board. Harris is an attorney and former secretary of the Departments of Health and Human Services and Housing and Urban Development. Both candidates argue that they can do a better job of managing the District government than can the present administration.

Nominating Underway For June Elections

The following people have been appointed to the FBA Nominating Committee to select candidates to run in the June election of FBA officers for the 1982-83 year. Lucille Duprat was named chairperson. Other members of the committee are Jeanne Abel, Julia Bond, Karen Gordon, Jenny Brake, and Maureen Mosher.

Anyone wishing to be considered for nomination to any office should contact any of the committee members. Suggestions of persons willing to contribute their time and talents will be most welcomed by the committee.

The committee is in the early stages of choosing candidates but some candidacies are firm. A complete list will be published in the June issue of the *Foggy Bottom News*.

Firm candidates thus far are:

President: Rick Churchill (Resident of "The President")

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Treasurer: Mel Ogden (24th St.)

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Board:

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Ann Lomas (25th Street)

Marjorie Wheatley (N.H. Avenue)

Judy Smalley ("The President")

Isabelle Webb (St. Mary's Court)

Sam Kreps (Columbia Plaza)

ANC Meeting
Tuesday, June 1
7:30 p.m.
St. Mary's Court
725-24th St. N.W.

A Call for Neighborhood Watch

Bob Alcorn

There is a large number of Foggy Bottom-West End residents who have called this area home for many years. We have seen its ups and downs and have welcomed many new neighbors into our midst. Together we all have worked to make this part of the city one of the best and close-knit neighborhoods in the city. No matter what obstacle has been put in our way, we have always overcome it.

Now we have a new enemy lurking in our streets and around our homes. Crime... must do something about it as a neighborhood. Since Christmas time there have been many robberies — homes, offices, car parts or cars themselves, muggings, etc. For example two apartments were robbed and four cars were stolen from residents in the Swarthmore, cars were robbed from the Claridge, Letterman House, and Howard Johnson's Restaurant. House were broken into on 25th Street and offices on K Street. We must help the police help us. For

people who have been robbed, recovery of goods can be very frustrating and often insurance repayment takes a very long time. Many crimes do not even get reported.

There is help we can avail ourselves of — the Neighborhood Watch. The police can furnish booklets and signs for our buildings and streets. They can help us to mark our belongings and show us many forms of security but it is up to us to reach for the help.

We at the Swarthmore have decided to do something about it. The executive board has agreed to authorize Bob Alcorn and Dinane Stamm aided by Maura Graney and others to set up a vertical watch committee. The 2nd District Police Community Services Division is going to meet with our people and discuss ways to setting up the Watch. It not only involves an awareness ourselves and our building but also what happens in and around other buildings and streets around us.

A number of groups have become interested in following our lead and will be most happy to aid anyone or group to find out how to be a part of the neighborhood watch. The more we can get to join us the stronger we will be. We can show the criminal that our eyes are everywhere. We can stamp on crime... but... we must admit that crimes have been happening and report them to the police and to a building chairman, a block captain, or whatever person we designate. We can show prospective buyers or renters that we care about our neighbors and make them feel that they want to live in our midst. We want our shopkeepers to stay to service our needs. We want to go to work or take a vacation feeling secure that we will find our home intact and our cars where we parked them.

We must help the police find the areas worst hit and become aware ourselves of the locations. We can as a group ask

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G.W.U. To Build Maintenance Facility

Geoffrey E. Stamm

George Washington University has announced plans to construct a \$2 million campus support building in the 2000 block of F Street, N.W., adjacent to Francis Scott Key Hall. The site is currently used as a student parking lot, and it is close to several apartment buildings.

Final plans for the structure have not been drawn up, but it is intended to be perhaps two stories, approximately 40,000 square feet, and partially underground. The space will include an inside work area for the university's motor vehicle mechanic, a central receiving and storage area for supplies the university uses frequently, office space for the buildings and grounds staff, and a parking area for university trucks. University planners have not yet decided whether the truck parking is to be inside or outside.

Vehicle access to the building will be designed to be

through the existing public alley that runs from 20th to 21st Streets through the middle of the block, to minimize disruption to residents in the immediate area. In addition, the offices will be placed on the street side of the building, and frontage on F Street will be designed to be compatible with existing buildings.

In announcing the plans, GWU Vice President and Treasurer Charles E. Diehl said that work on the building is scheduled to begin early in 1983 and is expected to take about a year.

The D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment must approve construction plans before any work on the site can begin, and the Foggy Bottom and West End Advisory Neighborhood Commission would review any application to the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

At the ANC's regular monthly meeting on May 4th, GWU

spokesman Robert E. Dickman described the university's preliminary plans. He emphasized that the specifics of the project remain to be decided, and that even the size of the building is conjectural, though it will not be a massive building. He stated that the number of parking spaces on campus allocated to student use will be maintained at the current level. In particular, he expressed the university's intention to consult the community fully once more concrete plans and options for the project are worked out.

The ANC established an adhoc committee to follow the project closely, and the West End Citizens Association has also established a special committee. In addition, the ANC will schedule a community forum meeting at a later date to cooperate with the university's desire for community advice in determining final plans for the project.

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Letter to the Editor

Editor:

Your article on no-fault automobile insurance as portrayed by Mr. Richardson of the "Automobile Owner Action Council" extols the "no-fault - no-pay" system and castigates Councilmember Rolark with "a clear conflict of interest" and our Ward 2 Councilmember John Wilson because he has friends who are trial lawyers.

For a fuller picture I

respectfully submit you should have asked Mr. Richardson how many members he has in his "Automobile Action Council" and you should have asked him who funds his activity. Then your readers could draw their own conclusions as to why the insurance industry has lobbied for no-fault for the past ten years. Is it because no-fault is good for the customer or is it because it is a gold mine for the insurance industry?

The "No-fault-no pay" system deprives most automobile traffic victims of all rights to compensation for injuries and forces them to buy medical pay and lost wage insurance (both of which they may already have) under the guise of no-fault. Not only are the hapless victims in no-fault states denied rights to compensation but they end up paying higher premiums.

So that there is no misunderstanding as to where my point of view comes from, I am a trial lawyer who has earned fees from automobile litigation and I live in Foggy Bottom.

Sincerely yours,

Jack H. Olender, Trial Lawyer

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ANC NEWS

Excerpts from the May 4 meeting of the Foggy Bottom and West End Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC 2A)

The ANC office is located at 1920 G Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20006. Phone number is 659-0011. Meetings are regularly held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM. The elected members of the Commission for 1982-83 are Jon Nowick, Lou Rigdon, Maria Tyler, Geoffrey Stamm, Steve Levy, Jimmy Molinelli and Ed Terry. Rick Churchill is the administrative assistant.

Governor Shepherd Support: The ANC voted to provide moral and material support to the Governor Shepherd Tenants Assn. (2121 Va. Ave.) in its negotiations with the building owners, the Pan American Health Organization. The owners have converted part of the building to office use and are now weighing tearing it down and putting up a new structure. The ANC resolution, submitted by Commissioner Levy, voices support for the tenants' efforts to keep the building rental. Noting that broader housing and zoning issues are involved, the ANC voted \$500 in matching funds to help the tenants meet legal expenses.

Guest Quarters Food Service: On the recommendation of Commissioner Stamm, the Commission gave conditional support to a zoning application by the Guest Quarters on New Hamp. Ave. to provide limited breakfast service to its patrons. The resolution asks the Board of Zoning Adjustment to require that food service be limited to patrons in their guest rooms, that there be no dining room, and that the food preparation area in the garage displace no more than two parking spaces. The Guest Quarters management had agreed to all of these terms.

Stamm Election: Commissioner Stamm was elected to assume the position of 1st vice chairman, replacing Commissioner Nowick who is leaving the country. Nowick's ANC seat itself should soon be open for applications. Interested residents in his district (bounded by K, N, 22nd Streets and Rock Creek) should call the ANC office for more information. The currently seated commissioners will appoint an interim replacement.

26th & K St. Development: Developer Eddie Lenkin briefed the ANC on his plans, which are still tentative, to develop the property between the Excelsior Apts. (2514 K St.) and the Colonial Arms (939 26th St.). Lenkin's architect offered to sponsor a meeting May 10 to which he invited all commissioners and interested citizens to solicit their views. The ANC passed a resolution setting up a seven-person special committee, including Commissioners Tyler (transportation) and Levy (zoning), FBA President Rick Churchill, and four other residents. More information about Lenkin's plans should be available at upcoming ANC and FBA meetings.

West End Project: Commissioner Nowick introduced a resolution objecting to a large new luxury hotel/office project slated to go up on the northern half of Square 37 (the same block in which the library is located). The developers are seeking an alley closing to improve the transportation, environmental and possibly architectural impact of the building. While taking no position on the alley closing itself, Nowick's resolution urges the DC Government to revamp zoning regulations which he warned threaten to turn the West End into a hotel/office district.

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Amanda Anderson Way of 2411 Eye Street died at G.W.U. Hospital the night of March 30, losing a 15-month-long fight against cancer.

A native Iowan, winning her Phi Beta Kappa key at its University and teaching for a number of years in Waterloo (Dorothy Bunevich was among her students), Amanda came to Washington after spending the wartime years in Canada with her husband. Upon being widowed, she went to work for the government, being employed by the CIA until her retirement in the 70's. She bought 2411 Eye in 1960 and remodelled it gradually.

In retirement, Amanda devoted her time to the Red Cross as a Grey Lady, to travel, and to keeping the neatest sidewalk and zoysia curb strip in Foggy Bottom. You may have seen this wispy lady in the early morning, sweeping and manicuring her tree box with scissors.

According to her sister, Margaret Strate of 2514 K Street, the family held a service in St. Charles, Iowa. Amanda will always be remembered by neighbors and friends as pleasant, cheerful and helpful, with a sly pixie sense of humor.

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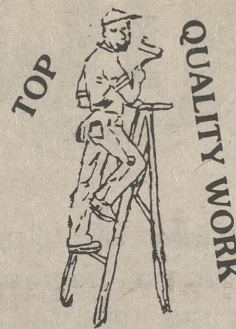
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New Gift Shop in Foggy Bottom

Mary E. Healy

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The Gift Shop at Columbia is operated by the Women's Board of Columbia under the direction of Mrs. John Bradley and Mrs. Robert Reeside, members of the Board. The day to day activities are handled by Ms. Sylvia Shaw, Manager, with the help of Manager Emeritus Mary Freize (who has been with the hospital for twenty years), Ocie Jackson and Carmen Bart. Members of the Women's Board "pull duty" once a month and either actually work in the Shop or

"push the gift cart" through the hospital.

The Women's Board of Columbia is the oldest in the nation. The forerunner of the Women's Board began in 1866 with a dozen "Lady Visitors" providing personal services and sympathy to help women patients through their illness. This group formed the nucleus of the formal Women's Board which came into being in 1882 — the original 12 Lady Visitors are now 58 Women's Board Members!



Mary Freize, manager emeritus.

Among the services of the Board was a gift service. Over the years this gift service has evolved into a fine Gift Shop worthy of our patronage. The first formal shop opened in 1949. Today's shop is the result of progressive improvements and enlargement over the years. In 1981, along with major hospital remodeling and additions of new wings, a new Gift Shop emerged — with lots of glass windows so you can see the merchandise before you go into the shop. Merchandise is "quality," attractively displayed, priced right and sold by caring ladies. Customers of the Shop now are members of the hospital staff and medical service, visitors, patients, and people like me (a compulsive buyer) who can't resist buying something everytime I go to the Hospital for a Board or Committee meeting!

The Shop carries items such as Russell Stover Candy, nuts, snacks, special teas from China, magazines, best-seller paper back books and greeting cards. Like the Hospital, which serves the needs of the total woman, the Gift Shop carries special items for infants, children and the



Sylvia Shaw, manager and Russell Bates, hospital staff.

adult woman, including baby clothes, children's clothes (by Feltman, handmade in the Philippines and also carried at Garfinkels), negligees, gowns, slippers and hose. Also carried are stuffed toys for children and adults (other toys as well), ornaments, silk flowers, brass items, dried flower arrangements, Israeli glass, music boxes, gift jellies and lots of other goodies.

The Columbia Hospital Gift Shop is open 7 days a week. The hours are:

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to 7 PM. Columbia Hospital is pleased to provide a service to the Foggy Bottom Community, so do go in and browse, talk to Sylvia and her staff, make a purchase if you see something you like; if not, go back later and try again. Sylvia and Mary will be glad to stock an item if the community demand appears to warrant. Do drop by the Gift Shop at 2425 L St., just off the first floor lobby to your left (unless you come in the back door, then it will be to your right). I know that you will enjoy your visit.

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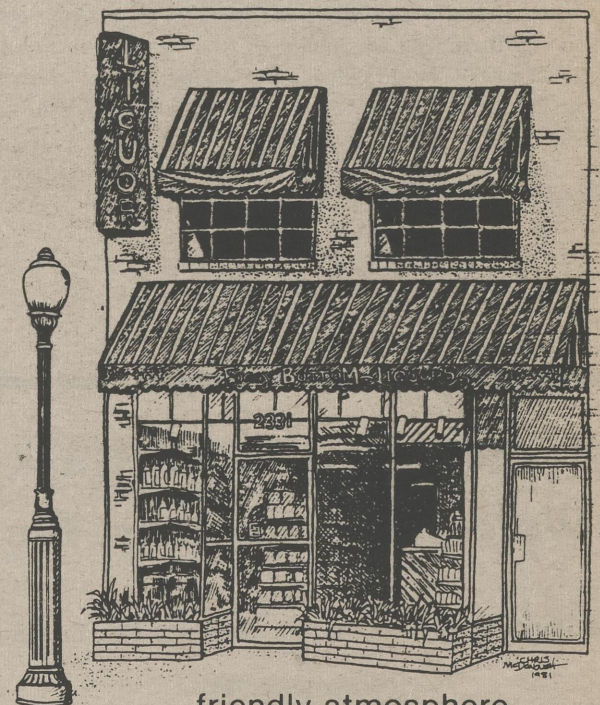
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Foggy Bottom's Easter Egg Hunt

Debbie Cahill-Zelinka

If you woke up on Easter Sunday morning and saw the Easter Bunny walking past your window, you weren't dreaming. It was Easter Bunny Marianna Kieffer on her way to the First Annual Foggy Bottom Babies' Easter Egg Hunt, hosted by William Cahill-Zelinka and Laura Bruce. Other charter members of the Foggy Bottom Baby Cooperative, Carl Holscher, Sam Edmondson, Charlotta Latham, honorary member William Drew and their guests hunted for Easter eggs hand painted by Bill Zelinka. The hunt was continued at the Kieffer-Bruce residence and followed by a champagne brunch for the parents.

Next year, the hunt will be expanded to include all of the latest additions to the Foggy Bottom baby boom. They are: Johnathan, son of Jean and Leonard Santos, born on October 27, 1981; Winthrop, son of DeDe and Beau Joesting, born on December 22, 1981; Sarah, born to Diane and John Samuels on March 28, 1982; and Alexandra, daughter of Florence Leclercq and Clem Boonekamp, born on September 2, 1981.



Easter Bunny Marianna Kieffer is the center of attention, except of course for the chocolate easter eggs.

We are also pleased to welcome several toddlers in the neighborhood as new

members of the Foggy Bottom Baby Cooperative. Dorothe, 1½ years of age and her parents Gerda and Heinz Coenen are visiting Washington from Germany for one year while Heinz is a guest of George Washington University Medical Center. Adam, age 2½, and Martin, age 1½, are the sons of Ann Marie and Misha Morawski. Mateo, age 2½, who has an 8-year-old sister Mariana, is the son of Patricia and Mario Pastore.

With the addition of so many wonderful new children to our neighborhood, the Foggy Bottom Baby Cooperative, affectionately known as Soggy Bottom Babies, and the Foggy Bottom Association are working with the D.C. Government through the Adopt-A-Park Program, to design a neighborhood playground. We have chosen part of the grassy area on the west side of 26th Street between I and K Streets as the playground site. Funds for the project are limited, so donations will be gratefully accepted. Please contact Debbie or Bill Cahill-Zelinka at 338-2796 if you wish to make a donation or have any fundraising ideas that you would like to share. There will be a Foggy Bottom Baby booth at the Spring Block party later this month, so stop by and show your support for the project.

If you wish any further information on the Foggy Bottom babysitting cooperative, you may contact Marty Edmondson at 338-4813.



Hosts William Cahill-Zelinka and Laura Bruce survey the site of the First Annual Foggy Bottom Babies' Easter Egg Hunt.

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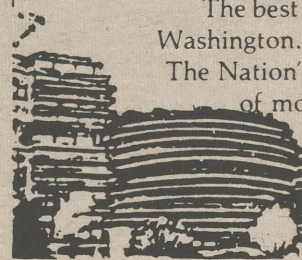
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Happenings In The 900 Block, 25th Street

May Aaberg

Our congratulations to Virginia Tannar Sandifer, a Claridge House resident, who on Sunday, May 9, was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters by her Alma Mater, Eureka College at Eureka, Illinois. The exercises also marked the 50th anniversary of the graduation of another Eureka College Alumnus, President Ronald Reagan.

A brief resume of Virginia's educational and professional career indicates the award was well merited. Following her graduation from Eureka College, she earned a master's degree at Columbia University, furthering her preparation for a career in social work education. This included a professorship at Case Western Reserve University at Cleveland, Ohio, and 12 years of service with the federal government in the Bureau of Family Services in a program called "Training the Trainers." Her teaching career also included five summer sessions at Smith College School of Social Work. She also taught at, among other institutions, Louisiana State University, the University of Texas and Columbia University School of Social Work.

Virginia's late husband, Dr. Durward Sandifer, also was a graduate of Eureka College and was an English professor on the faculty there for several years at the beginning of his distinguished career.

Another degree recipient on Sunday, May 9, was Jehan Desouki, better known to Claridge House residents as Gigi. She was awarded a master's degree in health care administration from George Washington University, having completed a two year study program at GWU following undergraduate work at Northwestern University at Evanston, Illinois. Gigi's particular area of interest is inter-



Sandifer

national health care and she is now job seeking, hoping to obtain employment that will enable her to work as a health consultant in foreign countries, including her native Egypt. She and her family resided in Alexandria, Egypt before coming to the United States some years ago. Best of luck, Gigi.

And speaking of Egypt, Donna Brodsky of the Claridge House returned in early May from a week-long business trip to Cairo. Donna is a Missions Officer with the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, a government agency that helps U.S. business invest in developing countries. Donna's job has already taken her to Jamaica, last fall, when she led a group of 25 business executives to that country. During her trip to Cairo, she met with U.S. Embassy staff to plan the details of a mission she will lead in June. After the June mission, she plans a side trip to Israel and will return to Washington via Paris. On this recent trip, Donna stopped in Rome for a short stay and was disappointed to find shops and museums closed and other sightseeing activities curtailed. It was May Day.

More about Egypt — Another April visitor to that

country was Dottie Cascioni, a 25th Street resident, who flew to Cairo and, among other sightseeing activities, took a four-day cruise on the Nile to Luxor and other historic points. Dottie, a volunteer information specialist at the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Gallery, studied the history of ancient Egyptian art last year at George Washington University. The purpose of her trip was pleasure and, as she tells friends, she got plenty of it on seeing those old Egyptian wonders she studied at GWU. Seeing is believing and learning, too!

Another Claridge House traveler overseas in May was Mary Louise Ortenzo. No fun 'n' games this trip but a two-weeks working tour of Germany and Spain. Dr. Ortenzo, an education consultant who works for the Center for Studies in Social Policy, visited United States military bases to collect data for the comprehensive study of the Department of Defense Dependent School System.

Mary Louise was elected to the Claridge House Board in March and frequently can be seen jogging in Foggy Bottom.

Did you notice the pretty pink bow attached to the gate at 904-25th Street? It heralded the arrival of Sarah Elizabeth Samuels on March 28, and the proud parents are Diane and John Samuels. All concerned are doing nicely now. Dianne's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Voulelis of Middletown, New York, spent Easter week here helping Sarah Elizabeth adjust to her new environment.

Incidentally, the pink bow was placed on the gate by a neighbor, Debbie Cahill, whose little son William is now a toddler. With the infant arrivals, 25th Street is truly confirming its status as a residential area and the youngsters are further reason why the bus ban should be enforced!

Crime Watch

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for more protection and if that is not forthcoming be ready to raise our voices collectively in city hall to get more funds to carry out better police protec-

tion. But — first — we must become aware of our neighbors, their property, and their cars. We are not advocating a citizen policing force but rather a simple

awareness program of seeing what goes on in our midst or better... who goes around in our midst and who does not belong in areas where we know people are intruding. We do not forfeit privacy but rather point up security and peace of mind.

Please help us knock out the pins from under crime. Aid us to lower those terrible statistics so that we can enjoy our life, working, living or playing, in the area we all love... Foggy Bottom-West End. Help us support the Neighborhood Watch and show the city we care about each other.

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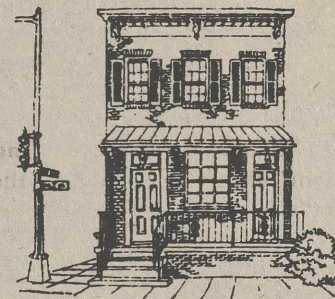
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OUR HOME IS FOGGY BOTTOM

Watergate has been our home for many years,
whether buying, or renting. Our services in-
clude all of Foggy Bottom.

Mayor Barry promoted the Georgetown "trolley."

Mayor Barry supported the West End library and helped to keep it open.

Mayor Barry supported the ANC (via Corporation Counsel) on Square 38 (24th, L, Washington Circle) Historical Designation.

Mayor Barry appointed a preservationist (Lindsley Williams) to replace a developer (Mariani) on the Zoning Commission.

Mayor Barry was instrumental in adding curb cuts in our neighborhood for wheel chairs, baby strollers and grocery carts.

Mayor Barry supported passage of the Residential Parking Sticker Program and has vigorously enforced it.

Mayor Barry supported citizens and succeeded in banning buses on 25th Street. He was also instrumental in getting Corporation Counsel to represent DCDOT on the recent Bus Ban Hearings.

Mayor Barry fought to keep the G Street Fire House open for Foggy Bottom and won.

In 1976, **Mayor Barry** spoke for the ANC against GWU and their World Bank building. It helped save the F Street Club.

Sherry Towers: **Mayor Barry** kept it residential.

The record shows that Mayor Barry has been supportive of the residents of Foggy Bottom. Now he needs our support. To find out how you can help to Reelect Mayor Barry, **call 393-VOTE.**

Mayor Barry put many Foggy Bottom residents on the Districts Boards and Commissions. Some are listed below:

Ann Loikow: National Capitol Planning
Commission
Marthlu Bledsoe: Law Revision
Commission
Hal Davitt: Budget Commission
Despina Kaneles: Rental Accommo-
dations Commission
Bill Ware: Budget Commission
Melita Rodeck: Architects Commission
George Breece: Consumer Protection
Commission

